## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: KAZUHIDE KUBOTA

For: INK COMPOSITION AND INK SET

Attorney Docket No.: U 014962-6

Mail Stop Patent Office Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

We draw the attention of the Examiner to the attached references some of which are considered in the specification and which are also listed on the attached form PTO-1449.

Respectfully submitted

LIFFORD J. MASS

LADAS & PARRY

26 WEST 61<sup>ST</sup> STREET

NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10023

REG.NO.30086(212)708-1890

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8(a) and 1.10\*

(When using Express Mail, the Express Mail label number is mandatory;

Express Mail certification is optional.)

(type or print name of person certifying)

## I hereby certify that, on the date shown below, this correspondence is being: **MAILING** $\boxtimes$ deposited with the United States Postal Service in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231. 37 C.F.R. 1.8(a) 37 C.F.R. 1.10\* $\boxtimes$ with sufficient postage as first class mail. as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label No. EV 327551623 US (mandatory) TRANSMISSION transmitted by facsimile to the Patent and Trademark Office. Date: DECEMBER 30, 2003 JENNIFER RAHSKIN

\*WARNING:

Each paper or fee filed by "Express Mail" must have the number of the "Express Mail" mailing label placed thereon prior to mailing. 37 C.F.R. 1.10(b).

"Since the filing of correspondence under § 1.10 without the Express Mail mailing label thereon is an oversight that can be avoided by the exercise of reasonable care, requests for waiver of this requirement will **not** be granted on petition." Notice of Oct. 24, 1996, 60 Fed. Reg. 56,439, at 56,442.

EXPRESS MAIL LABEL NO.: EV 327551623 US

FORM PTO-1449 U. S DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ATTY. DOCKET NO. SERIAL NO. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE U 014962-6 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE APPLICANT STATEMENT BY APPLICANT KAZUHIDE KUBOTA (Use several sheets if necessary) **FILING DATE** GROUP REFERENCE DESIGNATION U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS **EXAMINER** DOCUMENT FILING DATE IF INITIAL NUMBER DATE **NAME** APPROPRIATE AA AB AC FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS **DOCUMENT** TRANSLATION COUNTRY NUMBER DATE YES NO AD 2002-138232 05/14/2002 **JAPAN** Х ΑE 2001-354889 12/25/2001 **JAPAN** Х X AF H11-349871 12/21/1999 **JAPAN** X AG H9-188842 07/22/1997 **JAPAN** ΑH H10-279871 10/20/1998 **JAPAN**  $\mathbf{X}$ ΑI 2001-272529 10/05/2001 **JAPAN** Х AJ 2003-107230 4/09/2003 **JAPAN** X OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Dates, Etc.) ΑK PATENT ABSTRACT OF JAPAN PUBLICATION NUMBER 2002-138232 PUBLISHED 05/14/2002 AL PATENT ABSTRACT OF JAPAN PUBLICATION NUMBER 2001-354889 PUBLISHED 12/25/2001 AM PATENT ABSTRACT OF JAPAN PUBLICATION NUMBER H11-349871 PUBLISHED 12/21/1999 AN PATENT ABSTRACT OF JAPAN PUBLICATION NUMBER H9-188842 PUBLISHED 07/22/1997 AO PATENT ABSTRACT OF JAPAN PUBLICATION NUMBER H10-279871 PUBLISHED 10/20/1998 ΑP PATENT ABSTRACT OF JAPAN PUBLICATION NUMBER 2001-272529 PUBLISHED 10/05/2001 PATENT ABSTRACT OF JAPAN PUBLICATION NUMBER 2003-107230 PUBLISHED 4/09/2003 AO **EXAMINER** DATE CONSIDERED **EXAMINER:** Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.